

Final Exam/math110/fall 2003 LIU
Total Time: 12:30am-3:30pm
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1. (15%) Please determine if the following statements are true or not. Give a brief reasoning for each of your answers.

- (a). All the unitary operators on a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbf{C} are normal. (3%)
- (b). All $n \times n$ matrices in $\mathbf{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbf{R})$ have their associated Jordan canonical forms over \mathbf{R} . (3%)
- (c). Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space and $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. Then $R(T^*) = N(T)$. (3%)
- (d). Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space. An operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ is self-adjoint iff $[T]_{\beta} = [T]_{\beta}^*$ for all the ordered bases β . (3%)
- (e). All the orthogonal transformations on a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbf{R} are onto. (3%)

2. (20%) (a). Prove Schur's theorem, i.e. when the characteristic polynomial of a linear transformation $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ (on a finite dimensional inner product vector space V over $F = \mathbf{R}$ or \mathbf{C}) splits, then there exists an orthonormal basis β such that $[T]_{\beta}$ is upper-triangular. (14%)

(b). Prove that a self-adjoint operator T over \mathbf{C} must be diagonalizable by an orthonormal basis. i.e. \exists an orthonormal basis β such that $[T]_{\beta}$ is diagonal. (6%)

3.(25%) (a). Consider the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 4 & 0 \\ 4 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Show that A is normal and diagonalize A by an orthogonal matrix. (10%)

(b). For the same A , write $L_A = \lambda_1 T_1 + \lambda_2 T_2 + \lambda_3 T_3$ and find T_1, T_2, T_3 explicitly. (5%)

(c). Let $T : P_4(\mathbf{R}) \mapsto P_4(\mathbf{R})$ be $T(f) = f'' + f$. Determine the dot diagram and write down the Jordan canonical form of T . (10%)

4. (20%) (a). Let U be a unitary operator upon an inner product space (V, \langle, \rangle) over \mathbf{R} , i.e. $\|U(x)\| = \|x\|$ for all $x \in V$.

Prove that $\langle U(x), U(y) \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$ for all x, y . (6%)

(b). Suppose that $T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ are linear operators over an inner product space (V, \langle, \rangle) such that the identity $\langle x, T_1(y) \rangle = \langle x, T_2(y) \rangle$ holds for all $x, y \in V$. Show that $T_1 = T_2$. (5%)

(c). Let W be a finite dimensional subspace of the inner product space (V, \langle, \rangle) . Prove that an arbitrary vector $x \in V$ can be decomposed uniquely into the form $x = u + z$, where $u \in W$ and $z \in W^{\perp}$. (9%)

5. (20%) (a). Prove that the eigenvalues of a self-adjoint operator are all real. (7%)

(b). Show that all eigenvalues of anti-self-adjoint $T^* = -T$ operators are purely imaginary (i.e. $= \sqrt{-1}r, r \in \mathbf{R}$). (4%)

(c). Determine all the operators $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$ with $T^3 = T, T^* = -T$. What can T be? Write down your argument. (9%)

6. (25%) Let (V, \langle, \rangle) be a finite dimensional inner product vector space over \mathbf{R} .

(a). Prove that a linear functional $f \in \mathcal{L}(V, \mathbf{R})$ can always be written as $f(x) = \langle x, \mathbf{v} \rangle$ for some $\mathbf{v} \in V$. (14%)

(b). Let $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be an orthonormal basis of (V, \langle, \rangle) . Prove that $\langle x, y \rangle = [x]_{\beta}^t [y]_{\beta}$ for all $x, y \in V$. (6%)

For an $x \in V$, $[x]_{\beta}$ means the column vector of coordinates relative to β .

(c). Let $T : \mathbf{R}^4 \mapsto \mathbf{R}^4$ be defined by $T(a, b, c, d) = (a + b, c + d, a - c, a + b + c + d)$. Please find $T^* : \mathbf{R}^4 \mapsto \mathbf{R}^4$ explicitly. (5%)

7. (15%) (a). Let W_1, W_2 be two finite dimensional vector subspaces of V . Prove that $\dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) = \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) + \dim(W_1 + W_2)$. (9%)

(b). Let β_1, β_2 be bases of W_1 and W_2 , respectively. Show that when $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$, $\beta_1 \cup \beta_2$ is a basis of $W_1 + W_2$. (6%)

8. (15%) Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbf{R} .

(a). Prove that when W is a T invariant subspace, extend a basis γ of W to a basis β of V . Prove that $[T]_\beta$ is of the following form, (7%)

$$\begin{pmatrix} [T]_\gamma & B \\ \mathbf{0} & C \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b). Let W be a T -invariant sub-space of V . Prove that the characteristic polynomial of T_W divides the characteristic polynomial of $T \in \mathcal{L}(V)$. (8%)

9. (15%) (a). Prove that for $A \in \mathbf{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbf{R})$, $\dim_{\mathbf{R}} \text{span}(\{I, A, A^2, \dots\}) \leq n$. (9%)

(b). Give an $n \times n$ example that $\dim_{\mathbf{R}} \text{span}(\{I, A, A^2, \dots\}) = n$. (6%)

10. (15%) Prove the following statement: Let V and W be finite dimensional vector spaces having ordered bases β and γ , respectively and let $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$. Then for all $u \in V$, we have $[T(u)]_\gamma = [T]_\beta^\gamma [u]_\beta$.

11. (15%) (a). Prove that two finite dimensional vector spaces V and W are isomorphic to each other if and only if $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$. (10%)

(b). Show that a linear transformation $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ cannot be onto if $\dim(V) < \dim(W)$. (5%)